

COUNTY CORRESPONDENCE

FLAT RIVER

Mack Denman of Farmington was a business visitor here Saturday.

B. Berryman and son, Benton, and daughter, Miss Theima, departed Saturday for Detroit, where they will seek employment. If they are successful, Mrs. Berryman and small children will join them later.

Mrs. L. E. Pierson returned to Flat River Thursday, after having spent a few days at Iron Mountain visiting relatives.

Vane Calloway and Geo. Callahan were business visitors in St. Louis the last of the week. While in the city they saw Mr. Wellington of the Wellington Motor Co. and secured the agency of the Olympian car. They are starting a garage in the building formerly occupied by the Elipse Motor Co. here in Flat River.

The Flat River Hi-Y, an organization of the high school boys, who are members of the Y. M. C. A., went on a hike and weiner roast Friday evening. Also a few of the high school girls were invited by the members. Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Watson and Miss Thelma Brewer chaperoned the crowd. They went to Red Onion cave, where they stopped and roasted their weiners. Everyone reported a good time.

G. W. Cloud, who is in the real estate business in Charleston, spent a few days here visiting friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Beard of St. Louis spent the latter part of last week here visiting relatives.

Bryan Coffman, who has been attending the Columbia University, spent the Easter holidays with his parents.

Mrs. Jimmy Davis of Farmington was guest of Mrs. Arch Bequette here the first of the week.

Earl Lumbaugh was an Elvins visitor Sunday.

Samuel Emerson, Jay Brown and Mr. Godard were Farmington visitors Tuesday evening.

Mrs. L. E. Pierson, who has been visiting her parents, Dr. and Mrs. T. L. Haney, for a few weeks, returned to her home in River Rouge, Mich., Saturday.

Dana Kirk, who is employed in St. Louis, spent the week-end here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Kirk. Miss Mary Estes has accepted a position as a gatekeeper in Goodman & Dehovy grocery store.

Miss Ruth Cloud, who is working at the Grand Leader in St. Louis, spent the latter part of last week here, the guest of Miss Mary Alice Marsh and other friends.

The basket ball girls will sell candy and pop-corn at the Doll Show Saturday night, which is to be given by the grades, in the auditorium at 7:30 o'clock. Don't fail to bring an extra dime, as the girls are trying to raise the money for their basket ball sweaters, and they need your help.

Melvin Rohrbach, who is attending Columbia University, spent the Easter holidays here with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. Rohrbach.

Miss Sallie Hall Settle spent the week-end in Potomac with her parents.

Mrs. T. L. Haney and daughter, Miss Ira, and Shelby Lyons were Bonne Terre visitors Saturday.

Cecil Hughes of St. Louis came here Thursday to join his wife and baby, who have been here several weeks, visiting relatives and friends.

Misses Violet and Lucille Simpson and Iva Richards of Farmington were Flat River visitors Saturday.

Mrs. Emmett Sutherland returned to her home in River Rouge, Mich., Saturday, after spending a few weeks here with her mother, Mrs. R. Thompson.

C. C. Watson underwent an operation at the National Hospital Wednesday morning. He had a growth removed from over his left eye.

Shelby Lyons of St. Louis spent a few days last week here and in Farmington, visiting friends.

Herbie Radle of Farmington was a Flat River visitor Monday.

KNOB LICK

Mrs. Chas. Marshall and son, Seibert, were shopping in Knob Lick Friday.

Archie Biggs spent the latter part of last week with relatives in St. Louis.

Mrs. Julia Lynn was a Farmington visitor Monday.

J. S. Martin was guest of Ed. Biggs Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Anderson of Elvins spent Saturday night and Sunday with relatives here.

Miss Bertha Webb of Knob Lick attended the dance at W. F. Parrott's Saturday night.

Miss Ina Martin and brother, John, spent Sunday with their aunt, Mrs. Susie Turpin, of Doe Run.

Alf Clark was a business visitor in Knob Lick Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Parrott and daughter, Bertha, spent Sunday with friends in Knob Lick.

Albert Shepherd visited Ed Biggs Sunday.

Joe Chapman of Flat River spent Saturday night and Sunday with his family.

Mrs. John Wells was shopping in Knob Lick Monday.

Mrs. Mary Anderson was guest of Mrs. Joe Brown Friday of last week.

Miss Bertha Webb spent Saturday night and Sunday with Sadie Erwin.

Ed Biggs was a business visitor at Knob Lick Monday.

Alf Clark spent Tuesday with Mrs. Wm. Garrett.

Mrs. J. S. Martin was a business visitor in Farmington Wednesday.

Mrs. Byrd of Knob Lick spent one day last week with Mrs. Mary Anderson.

Mrs. Lynn spent one night last week with her sister, Mrs. Mary Black, of Farmington.

Theo. Anderson and son, Leo, were Farmington visitors Tuesday.

Wm. Wells spent a few days last week with his sister, Mrs. Mary Sebastian, of St. Louis.

Roy Clark was a Knob Lick visitor Monday.

Mrs. Henry O'Bannon came home from Flat River Wednesday, after a few weeks' visit, with her daughter,

Mrs. Carl Bollinger.

Miss Katie Clark spent Saturday night in Farmington.

Parkhurst O'Bannon was a Knob Lick visitor Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ranze Canterbury and family of Flat River spent a few days last week with Mr. Canterbury's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Canterbury.

Miss Lena Wells and sister, Eva, spent Sunday afternoon with Misses Ina and Susie Martin.

Wm. Black came down from Flat River Sunday.

Geo. Weigenstein made a business trip to Farmington Monday.

Oscar Kinneman attended church at Mtn. Oak Saturday night.

Everett Marshall was a Knob Lick visitor Monday.

J. D. Wells, who is employed at Flat River, spent Sunday with his wife.

Theo. Anderson and son, Leo, were business visitors in Knob Lick Tuesday.

John Wells is spending this week with relatives in St. Louis.

Archie Biggs was a business visitor at Knob Lick Sunday.

Thos. Marshall spent Saturday and Sunday with home folks.

Thos. Plummer attended church at Mtn. Oak Saturday night.

Mrs. Alf Clark was shopping in Knob Lick Friday.

Mrs. Mary Anderson is spending this week with her mother, Mrs. Bayless, of Glen Allen.

Mrs. J. S. Martin was guest of Mrs. Wm. Jarrett Saturday afternoon.

Homer Lynn of Flat River spent Saturday with his wife.

Joe Brewin was a business visitor in Knob Lick Tuesday.

Mrs. John Wells spent Saturday night with her daughter-in-law, Mrs. J. D. Wells.

Joe Mathews made a business trip to Farmington Monday.

Mrs. Theodore Anderson spent one day last week as guest of Mrs. John Wells.

Mrs. Wm. Wells of Route 6, Farmington, was shopping in Knob Lick Saturday.

Mrs. Wm. Dugal spent Tuesday with her sister, Miss Mary Kessler.

Henry Kinneman made a business trip to Fredericktown Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Landon Ode of Flat River spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mrs. Ode's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Erwin.

Miss Susie Martin and Gracie Wells were shopping in Knob Lick Tuesday.

Miss Sadie Erwin of Knob Lick spent Sunday with home folks.

Willie Biggs was guest of John Martin Sunday.

Thos. Marshall spent Sunday afternoon with J. D. Wells.

Everett Marshall was a business visitor in Farmington Saturday.

Mrs. John Clark spent a day last week with Mrs. Joe Chapman.

Dewey Erwin was a Knob Lick visitor Tuesday.

SUGAR GROVE

Howard Haynes of St. Louis spent Easter with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde London and children went to St. Louis Thursday, where he has employment.

A baby girl arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. F. O'Bannon Monday, April 8th.

Mrs. D. E. Hartshorn and Mrs. J. D. Rion visited Mrs. Harriet Bradley Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Horton spent Easter with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Gossett.

Mrs. John Schultz and son, Earl, of Route 5 visited her sister, Mrs. Henry Niedert, Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Noltkemper and children spent Easter Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Zolman.

Miss Mary O'Bannon of near Knob Lick visited Mr. and T. F. O'Bannon Saturday night.

Miss Gladys Patterson of St. Louis, who has been visiting relatives in this neighborhood the past three weeks, returned to her home Monday.

Miss Augusta Schilling of St. Louis visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Schilling, from Friday until Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Williams and daughter, Miss Fanine, spent Easter Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Williams, of Farmington.

Lee Hunt of St. Louis spent Easter with his mother, Mrs. Emma Hunt.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Niedert and son, Herman, attended Joe Burlbaw's sale Monday.

Mrs. Elbert Hunt and little daughter, Louise, of Farmington spent Easter with Mrs. Emma Hunt.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hahn and son were called to Fredericktown this week on account of the death of Mr. Hahn's father.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Estes and daughter, Emma, and little son spent Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Horton.

Dr. and Mrs. J. H. English of Flat River visited with Mr. and Mrs. T. F. O'Bannon Wednesday night of this week.

Emmet London of St. Louis is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. London.

ELVINS

Allen Clemens of Granite City is visiting Elvins friends this week.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Sikes of St. Louis are spending the week-end visiting relatives here.

Misses Virginia and Flossie Sizemore of St. Louis are visiting their parents here this week.

Mrs. Ida Sherrills and son and daughter are visiting relatives here this week.

Mrs. Short and daughter, Edna, of St. Louis are visiting relatives here this week.

Miss Ira Lindeman of St. Louis is visiting relatives and friends here.

Orville Boyer of St. Louis is visiting his parents here.

Russell McCoy of St. Louis is here this week.

Mr. Bone of St. Louis is visiting his daughter, Mrs. Jeff Layne.

Miss Jessie Degrant of St. Louis is

spending the week-end with her parents.

Steve Tabors, who has been in the Bonne Terre Hospital for the past few weeks has returned home.

Mrs. Wm. Dewann's grandfather, Mr. Hoback, has returned to Sprott to make his home with Madison Reece.

Joe Hicks, Gus Young and Tom Conway of Fredericktown transacted business in Elvins Thursday.

Chas. Norris and family and Miss Edith Berryman spent Thursday afternoon in Flat River.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Norris spent Saturday in Desloge on business.

Bob Downing spent Friday in Desloge on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Lewis are spending a few days in St. Louis on a combined business and pleasure trip.

Mr. and Mrs. George Stephenson have left for St. Louis to make their future home.

Rev. C. T. Lawson resigned the pastorate of the First Baptist Church and will leave this week to accept another pastorate.

Mrs. Lewis Layne, Mrs. Rutledge Sloan and Mrs. Oliver Hulsey transacted business in Flat River Saturday afternoon.

Eugene Hughes has returned home from Detroit and will spend a week or ten days here and then move his family to Detroit.

Charley Berryman returned home for a week's visit with parents and friends.

Mrs. Sidney St. Gemme is visiting Mrs. Eugene Hughes.

Mrs. Gettie Beck has returned to St. Louis.

Mrs. Lawson, Miss Marie Langdon, Mrs. Cabt and Rev. Lawson's classes had an Easter egg hunt Saturday afternoon. All report a good time.

Miss Grace Archambo of Wisco is visiting her grandparents here.

E. Williams, while working at No. 12 Federal, suffered an accident to his foot.

Chas. Norris transacted business in Flat River Tuesday.

Miss Lena Leonard returned to St. Louis Wednesday.

Mrs. Tom Cozart spent Wednesday with Mrs. R. Berryman.

Misses Opal Norris, Edna Sherrill and Edna Robinson, and Virgil Phillips and Cressie Amsden motored to Bonne Terre Monday.

Mr. Tabors and family have left for Kentucky, where they expect to make their home.

Miss Mabel Berryman, who is employed in St. Louis, is here visiting her parents, R. Berryman, and family.

Mrs. James Maxon of Flat River was an Elvins visitor Tuesday.

A party was given at the home of Mrs. Claude Evans Thursday night by the Community Club. Those present declared Mrs. Evans a delightful hostess. Refreshments were served and all departed at a late hour, declaring they all had a good time.

CHESTNUT RIDGE

Miss Nannie McElligott returned to her home in St. Louis last Friday, after spending a week with her aunt, Mrs. John Marks.

Mrs. Arthur Craig and children returned to their home in St. Louis, after a week's visit with her mother, Mrs. Mary Drake, of Chestnut Ridge, and her mother-in-law, Mrs. Craig, of Farmington.

Mrs. Jake Crader and son, Preston, attended the funeral of her niece, Hester Swinford, at Doe Run last Sunday.

Mrs. Bettie Goodfield died at Doe Run last Thursday and was buried Saturday afternoon in the family cemetery west of the Lutheran cemetery at Valley Forge. Valley Forge was formerly her home. Sympathy is extended to the relatives.

Adam Miller lost a fine cow last week. It is supposed that she got her head fastened in the stall partition and broke her neck.

Easter was a real winter day. More like Christmas than Easter. It rained sleeted and snowed, and on Monday morning it was only 17 degrees above zero.

Walter Thomure has his saw-mill set on Dave Laws' farm and is sawing lumber for his new barn.

PRIMROSE

Misses Elsie Rawson and Myrtle Pettes were visitors at the home of Wm. A. Moon Wednesday evening.

Thos. Rawson of Prospect transacted business in Bonne Terre Tuesday.

Miss Janie Rawson and Miss Leona Rawson of Prospect spent Tuesday at the home of John Pettes.

Floyd Lawson was a visitor at the home of Wm. A. Moon Wednesday night.

E. Rawson made a business trip to Bonne Terre Tuesday.

Quite a number are on the sick list at this writing.

J. C. King made a trip to Bonne Terre Saturday.

Miss Annie Rowe of near Silver Springs was shopping in Bonne Terre Saturday.

John Pettes and son, Ferman, were Bonne Terre visitors Saturday.

Mrs. Hoelzel of Melzo was shopping in Bonne Terre Saturday.

W. D. Roberts of Bonne Terre made a trip out here Saturday.

W. A. Jones of Melzo motored out to Bonne Terre Saturday.

Clarence Blackwell of Moontown was a Bonne Terre visitor Saturday.

Miss Beulah Moon of St. Louis spent the week-end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willis Moon.

L. Williams made a trip to Bonne Terre Saturday evening.

Dan Pettes was a business visitor in Bonne Terre Saturday morning.

The funeral of Mrs. Lawrence Ferguson of Bonne Terre was held here Monday evening. Interment was in the Primrose cemetery.

Miss Leona Rawson of Prospect was guest at the home of Robt. Lawson Monday evening.

V. Smith of near Silver Springs was a Bonne Terre visitor Saturday.

Misses Annie Rowe and Gladys Ketcherside of near Silver Springs attended the funeral of Mrs. Lawrence Ferguson here Monday evening.

Marvin Roberts of Bonne Terre visited friends here Saturday.

Frank Douglas and sons, James and

Lester, and daughter, Miss Carrie, of Silver Springs and Miss Carrie Shannon of Coonville attended the funeral of Mrs. Lawrence Ferguson here Monday evening.

Otto Cash of near Big River was a Bonne Terre visitor last week.

John Bailey was a visitor at the home of Robt. Lawson Monday.

John Pettes was guest at the home of Wm. Rawson Sunday.

Roscoe Blackwell of Prospect motored out to Bonne Terre Saturday.

Miss Beulah Moon was a visitor at the home of M. W. Jones Sunday.

Manuel Moores made a trip to Bonne Terre one day the latter part of last week.

LIBERTYVILLE

We had a very stormy Easter this year.

R. C. Graham was a business visitor at Fredericktown last Tuesday.

Mr. Shelly of near Fredericktown was a visitor in this neighborhood last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Conrad were called to Fredericktown last Saturday on account of the serious illness of Mrs. Conrad's mother, Mrs. Bollinger.

H. B. Presnell and Mr. Wallace were visitors at Farmington last week.

Mr. Labrot and family of Flat River are moving here this week.

Messrs. Hood and Bookner of the Lead Belt were pleasant callers in this community one evening last week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Presnell were Farmington visitors last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Burns visited the former's brother, Jake Burns, and family at Flat River last Friday.

Mr. King spent a few days this week with relatives in Farmington.

Misses Genevieve and Helen Ballard, Cressie Presnell, Esther and Marguerite Strahlman spent Easter here with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Covington of Flat River spent the latter part of last week here with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Weatherington.

Misses Sullivan and Backler spent last Monday night with Mrs. H. B. Presnell and family.

Rev. R. L. Allen spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Burns.

Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Kinkead and Mrs. H. B. Presnell were shopping in Flat River and Desloge one day last week.

CROSS ROADS

The remains of Mrs. Hand of Flat River were brought here Monday and interred in the Pirtle cemetery. She was the daughter of A. J. Kennon.

Mrs. Wm. Lenz returned from Flat River last Tuesday.

Robt. Ferguson of Cross Roads and Miss Green of Mine La Motte were married last Sunday. We wish them a bon voyage through life. They will reside here.

Oscar Henry has gone to Flat River to seek employment.

Mrs. Howard Unfleeth and children of Fredericktown are guests of relatives here at this writing.

Ira Fraysher was a Mine La Motte visitor Monday.

Lulu Skaggs of Fredericktown is guest of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Barron.

A. J. Kennon was called to the bedside of his daughter, Mrs. Hand, of Flat River, last week, who was very low with measles. Mrs. Hand later died.

Wm. Lenz and daughter were business visitors at Fredericktown last Friday.

Jeff Barron spent several days last week with relatives at Fredericktown.

Lloyd Ferguson of Farmington was a business visitor here last Thursday.

Anna Meredith closed her school at Rock creek last Friday and returned to her home here.

Mrs. Oscar Henry was shopping in Fredericktown last Friday.

Fay Kennon returned home from Flat River last Saturday.

Dora Lenz and Birdie Layne spent Sunday evening at the home of Mrs. Oscar Henry.

Jim and Emery Tucker were business visitors at Fredericktown last Friday.

Mrs. Joseph Vessels returned to her home here last Tuesday from Flat River.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hines and daughter, Leon Womack and Ollie King of Womack, passed through here Friday en route to Fredericktown.

KNOB LICK ROUTE 1

There will be an entertainment and pie supper at the Fair View school on April 10. All are cordially invited.

Mrs. W. W. Walters and little granddaughter of Jonesboro, Ark., were visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Scnders, and family.

Miss Golden Ebrecht of Farmington was visiting relatives at this place recently.

Misses Genevieve and Helen Ballard were visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Ballard, of this place.

Mrs. Black of Farmington is visiting relatives here.

Joseph and Howard Bayless were Knob Lick visitors last week.

N. C. Sebastian made a business trip to Flat River Friday.

Pete Brimier is our assistant mail carrier now.

There was an entertainment at the Fair View school last Friday evening. A prize was awarded to the one that found the most eggs. The winner was Miss Ethia Sanders.

VALLES MINES

Miss Bessie Reed spent the week-end with her parents at Plattin.

Miss Sally Semar, who is teaching here, visited her parents at Frank-clay the latter part of the week.

Miss Nealie Decker visited at the home of N. Nash Thursday and Friday.

Mrs. Henry Finney and son of Bonne Terre visited her mother, Mrs. R. H. Rowe, Saturday.

Misses Louise and Christina Statzel of Oakvale visited at the home of Wm. E. Heaton Saturday and Sunday.

Clarence Sykes of Flat River visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Sykes, the latter part of the week.

Dr. A. L. Evans of Bonne Terre was in this community Monday.

Arthur Sykes, who has been visiting

relatives in Bonne Terre, returned to his home here Monday.

Miss Pearl Whitesell of Granite City, Ill., visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Whitesell, Saturday and Sunday.

Walter Thurman of St. Louis is visiting his father, J. A. Thurman.

Misses Louise and Christina Statzel, Eugene Hansbrough and Earl Sykes visited at the home of Wm. E. Heaton Sunday.

A party was given at the home of D. Hawk Saturday night. The following were present: Misses Olga and Elsie Heaton, Louise and Christina Statzel, Pearl and Rosa Whitesell, Dorra and Hettie Nussbaumer, Gertrude and Octava Riddle, and Mullin Hawk, Charley Shannon, Edw. Heaton, Clarence and Earl Sykes, Jake Buscher, Earl Hawk, Bud Riddle, Maurice Whitesell, Alvin Burns, Joe Riddle. All present reported a good time.

W. P. Whitesell visited relatives at Granite City, Ill., Sunday and Monday.

J. Koble, who has been very ill, is reported no better.

Louis Holdman of St. Louis was the guest of his sister, Mrs. A. P. Rowe, Sunday.

Mrs. N. Nash visited at the home of J. Koble Tuesday.

Miss Olga Heaton visited her sister, Mrs. H. C. Rhodes, Tuesday.

Miss Bertha Holdman of Bonne Terre was the guest of her sister, Mrs. A. P. Rowe, Saturday evening.

Miss Cora Buscher visited relatives and friends in St. Louis a few days during the week.

Maurice Whitesell was a DeSoto visitor Tuesday.

Mrs. F. M. Richardson and son, Chesley, were guests of Mrs. H. C. Rhodes Tuesday.

TUNNEL

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Frazier motored to DeSoto Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Barbey of Hazel Run visited at the home of Alf Rowe last week.

Miss Carrie Shannon, who has been visiting relatives in Leadwood, returned home Saturday.

H. C. Carter and daughters, Mae and Leona, and son, Ray, motored to DeSoto last week on business.

Robt. Jones went to Blackwell last week, where he will stay with his brother.

Jas. Douglas was guest at the home of H. C. Carter Tuesday and Wednesday night.

Mrs. Frank Courtway was a Bonne Terre visitor Wednesday.

Lee Hammock was a Tunnel visitor Friday.

Sam Jones of near Blackwell was a business visitor in this community Tuesday.

S. P. Cole, Jr., was a business visitor in DeSoto Friday.

C. H. Appleberry of Farmington visited his parents near here the latter part of the week.

Edw. Spurgin of Fertile, Pete Parker of Plattin and Sterling Cole spent Sunday and Monday at the home of H. C. Carter and C. H. Appleberry, also spent Sunday at the home of H. C. Carter.

Miss Hattie Appleberry visited in Bonne Terre Saturday.

J. W. Ellis was a Herculeanum visitor Saturday and Sunday.

Jas. Douglas was called to Bonne Terre Saturday on account of the death of his cousin, Mrs. Ferguson.

Bryan Thurman was a Bonne Terre visitor Monday.

Lee Douglas of Herculeanum spent the first part of the week with home folks at Silver Springs.

S. P. Cole, Jr., left Tuesday for Chillicothe Business College, where he will finish up his course in bookkeeping and typewriting. He only expects to be there three more months. We wish him success in his work.

John Wheelhouse and little son of Bonne Terre spent Easter with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Wheelhouse.

John Rowe is very ill at present with a back-set from the flu.

Miss Gladys Ketcherside visited relatives in Valles Mines last week.

Lafe Cain was a Bonne Terre visitor Monday.

Mrs. Thos. Downard of Bonne Terre has been spending a few days with her brother near Hazel Run, and also Mr. and Mrs. Downard were Tunnel visitors Monday.

Willie Douglas of Bonne Terre visited at the home of F. Douglas Saturday.

Frank Cole was a Bonne Terre visitor Monday.

Lee Douglas is on the sick list.

Virgel Ketcherside was a Bonne Terre visitor Saturday.

Miss Gladys Stroup was guest of her parents last week.

Jas. Douglas visited at the home of H. C. Carter Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. John Thurman and little son of St. Louis visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Thurman, of Prospect last week.

Oscar Thurman of Hazel Run was a Tunnel visitor Monday.

J. W. Ellis was a Tunnel visitor Monday evening.

Bryan Thurman was a Valles Mines visitor Sunday morning.

Quite a number attended a party here Saturday night, and Homer Appleberry entertained the crowd.

Mrs. F. Hammock was a visitor here Tuesday.

Bryan Thurman visited here Tuesday.

Urel Hammock was a business visitor in this community Saturday.

COUNTY SCHOOL NOTES

The following extract is taken from an article recently written by Editor W. L. Bouchard of the Desloge Sun: "Never before in the history of the public school system has there been such a crisis to be faced. . . . The day has long since passed when the schools should be operated as an eleemosynary institution, the teaching corps cannot be made up of folk merely looking for a job, they must possess certain qualifications before they are eligible to teach the children of Missouri; just the same as any other professional persons must qualify to practice their respective professions. "Only such directors as have the interest of the school in mind, and not the special interest of 'mighty' influ-

ence, should receive favorable consideration at the hands of the voters and patrons of the schools. A school director should at least possess the following qualifications: Public spirited, with power of leadership; knowledge of the value of education and a WILLINGNESS TO TAKE THE LEAD IN SELLING THE SCHOOLS TO THE COMMUNITY AND NOT WAIT FOR THE COMMUNITY TO DISCOVER THE SCHOOLS. They should believe that THE SCHOOLS WERE ESTABLISHED TO SERVE THE CHILDREN, not to save the taxpayers' money. They should be persons who know there is the same difference between a trained and untrained teacher as there is between a razor back hog and a thoroughbred. The future of the public school system rests in the hands of the various boards of education."

The following editorial, which the County Superintendent regards as most timely, appeared in last Monday's issue of the St. Louis Globe-Democrat:

"According to a survey of conditions in thirty-nine counties, made by the Associated Industries of Missouri, the average salary of the 5178 teachers in those counties is \$458 a year. When it is considered that the average of the highest salaries is only \$1248, and that there are but few of these, it will be seen that no teacher is being paid what would be considered a large salary and that the average of \$458 for all means that a large number are receiving much less than that. It is no wonder that a great decrease in the number of good teachers is reported, or that there is a falling off in the number of applicants for teaching certificates to the extent of one-half. Nor is it any wonder that some superintendents are compelled to resort to the issuance of certificates to applicants who fail to pass the minimum examination formerly required. In other words, because of the low salaries the schools of Missouri are gradually being supplied with teachers of lower qualifications than hitherto have been considered the minimum necessary for satisfactory teaching. As the largest prospective increase in salaries reported by any of these counties is 10 per cent, the most of them report no contemplated increase whatever, it may safely be stated that the country schools of Missouri face a crisis. They are threatened with an inability to secure any teachers whatever who may be considered qualified to teach and with great difficulty in securing any at all in many districts.

"Everywhere there has been an increase in the sale price of commodities and of labor. A comparison of the farm prices of products in 1915 and 1919 show an increase of from 100 to 300 per cent. Wages on the farms have gone up 100 per cent. Everything the farmer buys has advanced, except teaching ability. It is the same with every resident of Missouri, in country and city. We have paid these great increases in the price of everything, but have not been willing to pay a like increase in the cost of teaching our children and equipping them for their life struggle. In the cities where it is possible for enough of them to unite and exert a strong influence, some addition to salaries has been made, or will be made, but little or no advance whatever has been made in districts outside the large cities. Why we expect to pay much more for everything we buy or need in our daily lives except the service of those who teach our children is a mystery that must be passed on for solution to those who make a specialty of psychological diagnosis. The fact remains that it is true, that it is wrong both to the teachers and the children and that great damage will be done to the quality of our public schools unless there is a change in the attitude of the people towards them."

J. CLYDE AKERS,
Co. Supt. of Schools.

WHY BE A DEMOCRAT?

Mrs. Howard T. Willson, chairman of the Illinois Woman's Executive Committee, tells why she is a Democrat in the current issue of Edict, official magazine of the First Congressional District, Illinois Federation of Women's Clubs. Mrs. Willson says, in part:

"I believe that the Democratic party stands today, as it did at the time of Jefferson, for true democracy—for the safeguarding of the rights of all and the granting of special privileges to none. During all these long centuries in which women have had practically no rights and but few privileges, there has grown in their hearts an imperishable desire for self-expression, not for their own sakes alone, or even for the most part, but that they might voice their longing for a better world for their children. When the Democratic National Convention declared, in 1900, its belief in the principle of direct legislation whenever practicable, it voiced its faith in real popular government, and after their long silence women are glad to speak for themselves.

"In the last eight years the Democratic administration has shown that it believes the benefits of government should come home to the humblest. It has concerned itself with the workers. It has gone on record as unalterably opposed to the exploitation of the wage earner, and especially of the children of the nation.

"Long years ago the eight-hour day was adopted for government employees, but the Democratic administration went further; it declared that all companies holding Government contracts must agree to the eight-hour day, and it adopted the eight-hour day for women employees in the District of Columbia, and passed a child-labor law."

MORAN—EFFREIN

Patrick Moran and Miss Hilda Effrein, both of this city, were married at 10:30 o'clock Monday morning at the Catholic parsonage, Rev. J. P. Ryan officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. Moran will make their home in Bonne Terre, where Mr. Moran has a lucrative position with the M. R. & B. T. railway.

The Times wishes them much success and abundant happiness.